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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chairman 25X1
Panel 9 NFIB Working Group on Compartmentation

FROM: 25X1
Panel 9. NFIB Working Group on Compartmentation

SUBJECT: Estimated CIA Data Processing and
Communications Conversion Costs to
Accommodate the APEX System 25X1

REFERENCE: Memorandum to DIA, from 25X1
 Chairman, NFIB Working 25X1
Group on Compartmentation, dtd 16 April
1979, subject: Panel 9 Report

1. Attached are the estimated costs for the reprogramming of CIA data processing systems and applications, and the conversion of communications message formats in accordance with your verbal instructions and the referenced memorandum. 25X1

2. The computer estimates are based upon the man hour costs of reprogramming to permit conversion of existing codeword indicators on computer output to the new codewords under the APEX system. This conversion expense assumes the new codewords are the same length or shorter than the current codewords and no additional retrofitting or changes will be required. 25X1

3. The communications conversion costs for reprogramming message formats also assumes that the existing size limits for classification will not increase under the APEX System. 25X1

4. It should be noted that the conversion costs do not include the expense of computer usage to test and debug the programs since this will be accomplished

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